

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 12: CONSERVATION
Chapter 803: FOREST HEALTH AND MONITORING
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§8422. LEGISLATIVE POLICY

The Legislature declares that it shall be the policy of the State to undertake a spruce budworm management program to minimize the short-term and long-term impacts of spruce budworm insect infestations upon the state's spruce and fir forests in accordance with the following policy objectives:
[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

1. Supply of wood. The protection of an adequate present and future supply of wood to support the long-term economic needs of the State and of its forest products industries;

[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

2. Development of program. The development and utilization in both the public and private sectors of forest protection and management programs which are cost-effective, biologically sound and responsive to the environmental and health concerns of the public;

[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

3. Reduction in use of insecticides. The reduction in reliance upon the use of chemical insecticides in spruce budworm suppression programs;

[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

4. Private efforts; pest management. The encouragement of private efforts to undertake a variety of integrated pest management techniques which result in a long-term reduction in the susceptibility of the state's forests to spruce budworm infestation and loss;

[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

5. Implementation. The implementation of equitable methods for determining private and public participation in, and financing of, spruce budworm suppression and prevention programs, including provision for voluntary participation in future insecticide spray projects;

[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

6. Regulatory review. The provision for adequate regulatory review of insecticide spray projects by an independent state agency; and

[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

7. Assistance programs. The provision of management and utilization assistance programs for small forest landowners designed to minimize impacts of spruce budworm infestation and loss.

[1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1979, c. 737, §12 (NEW) .

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